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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This responds to the Restriction Requirement dated April 6, 2007. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Remarks

Claims 1-35 are pending in the application. The Examiner has divided the claims into three groups and required restriction to one group under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Table 1 shows the claim groups as currently restricted by the Examiner.

Group	Claims
I	1-9
II	10-20
III	21-35

Table 1 Current Restrictions

Applicant elects group III. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 Applicant respectfully requests modification of the restriction requirement for the reasons given below.

Applicant proposes revised claim groups that are believed to more appropriately group the claims according to their status in the art. Applicant combines groups I and III. These claims

each involve a reference to generating an element path identifier and a reference to a hierarchical tree structure of a graphical user interface.

Applicants respectfully request modification of the restriction requirement for these reasons.

Respectfully submitted,

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